

REMARKS

The Office Action indicated that the subject matter of dependent Claims 20 and 69 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form.

Accordingly, independent Claim 18 has been amended to incorporate its dependent Claim 20 and it is believed that Claim 18 and dependent Claims 19, 51, 57, 63 and 67 are now allowed.


Dependent Claim 69 has now been incorporated into its independent Claim 21 and it is believed that dependent Claims 21-24 are also allowable.

Since these are the only issues that were presented, it is believed the case is now in condition for allowance and early notification of the same is requested.

If the Examiner has any questions with regards to this Amendment, the undersigned attorney can be contacted at the listed phone number.

Very truly yours,

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